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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Date: August 6, 2001

In re application of: Lin et al.

Serial No. 09/374,142

Filed: August 11, 1999

For: METHOD OF DIAGNOSING OR TREATING IRRITABLE  
BOWEL SYNDROME AND OTHER DISORDERS  
CAUSED BY SMALL INTESTINAL BACTERIAL  
OVERGROWTH

Examiner: Roark, J.

Unit: 1644

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
(FURTHER ELECTIONS OF SPECIES AND SUBSPECIES)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D. C. 20231, ON <u>August 6, 2001</u> DATE	
BY <u>[Signature]</u>	ANN WEISS
<u>August 6, 2001</u> DATE SIGNED	

Dear Sir/Madam:

This is in Response to the Office Action mailed July 5, 2001, for the above-captioned patent application. This response is submitted on or before August 6, 2001 (August 5, 2001, being a Sunday). In connection with the above-captioned application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the following remarks concerning further elections of species and subspecies.